



Normanton Urban District Council



ANNUAL REPORTS

OF

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

FOR THE YEARS

1938, 1939, 1940, 1941 AND 1942.

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THE URBAN DISTRICT OF NORMANTON.

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I submit my Report for the years 1938, 1939, 1940, 1941 and 1942 on the Vital Statistics and the Sanitary Conditions of the Normanton Urban District. The Report follows the requirements of the Ministry of Health.

Yours respectfully,

WILLIAM M. McKIE.

March, 1944.

On the amalgamation of Normanton and Altofts, which dates from 1st April, 1938, the area of the new constituted Urban District of Normanton which was formerly 1228 acres became 3061 acres. For the year 1938 of the Report Altofts and Normanton have been taken as joining at the beginning of 1938. The populations for the quinquennium in review are as follows:-

<u>1938.</u>	<u>1939.</u>	<u>1940.</u>	<u>1941.</u>	<u>1942.</u>
19,110	19,150(a)	18,500	18,430	18,170
	19,050(b)			

In the year 1939 population given as (a) is for calculation of Birth-rate; (b) for calculation of Death-rate or incidence of notifiable diseases.

The number of houses occupied at the end of each was:-

<u>1938.</u>	<u>1939.</u>	<u>1940.</u>	<u>1941.</u>	<u>1942.</u>
5,015	5,143	5,149	5,151	5,151

The rateable value for each year was:-

<u>1938.</u>	<u>1939.</u>	<u>1940.</u>	<u>1941.</u>	<u>1942.</u>
£72,432	£72,456	£72,432	£71,663	£71,493

Value of a Penny Rate.

<u>1938.</u>	<u>1939.</u>	<u>1940.</u>	<u>1941.</u>	<u>1942.</u>
£276	£275	£274	£268	£270

Coal mining gives the bulk of the male population employment, while lesser numbers are engaged as Railway employees. The female sex seek employment in the textile and tailoring establishments, all of which are situated outside the Normanton area. Since the outbreak of War large numbers (especially females) find employment in munition making etc.

Vital Statistics.

Birth-rates.

<u>1938.</u>	<u>1939.</u>	<u>1940.</u>	<u>1941.</u>	<u>1942.</u>
15.38	15.25	17.67	15.24	19.2

Live Births.

	<u>1938.</u>		<u>1939.</u>		<u>1940.</u>		<u>1941.</u>		<u>1942.</u>	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
			I.M.		I.M.		I.M.			
Legitimate.	142	143	162	134	157	165	147	129	176	165
Illegitimate.	3	6	-	3	4	3	3	5	2	6
	145	149	162	137	161	168	150	134	178	171
Totals.	294		299		329		284		349	

Live Births.

	<u>1938.</u>		<u>1939.</u>		<u>1940.</u>		<u>1941.</u>		<u>1942.</u>	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
			B.R.		B.R.		B.R.			
Legitimate.			161	133	156	164	147	127		
Illegitimate.			-	3	4	3	2	5		
			161	136	160	167	149	132		
Totals.			297		327		281			

Still Births.

Legitimate.	4	3	6	6	4	2	7	12	3	3
Illegitimate.	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
	4	3	6	6	5	2	7	12	3	4
Totals.	7		12		7		19		7	

The numbers of births under "I.M" are used in calculating the Infantile and Maternal death-rates; those under "B.R." are for the calculation of birth-rates. In 1938 and 1942 the totals given are used for the calculation.

Causes of Death.

	<u>1938.</u>		<u>1939.</u>		<u>1940.</u>		<u>1941.</u>		<u>1942.</u>	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Typhoid & Parat: Fevers.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Cerebro-spinal Fever.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1
Scarlet Fever.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Whooping Cough.	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	1	-	-
Diphtheria.	3	-	2	-	1	-	1	1	1	-
Tub: of resp : sys:	5	6	11	5	4	4	5	4	9	6
Other forms of Tuberculosis.	1	1	1	3	4	1	8	1	-	1
Syphilitic Diseases.	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	1	-
Influenza.	-	-	-	3	1	-	-	-	-	-
Measles.	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ac: polio-myel: & polio- enceph:	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ac: inf: Enceph:	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cancer of buc: cav: & oesoph: (M) uterus: (f)) 15 9		10 13		2	1	1	-	3	7
Cancer of stomach & duodenum					2	3	4	2	2	1
Cancer of breast.					-	1	-	3	-	-
Cancer of all other sites.					10	2	11	9	6	6
Diabetes.	1	3	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	1
Intra-cranial vascular lesions.	4	8	4	13	10	18	13	11	8	14
Heart diseases.	23	19	24	23	28	21	32	19	24	17
Other dis: of circ:system.	6	8	11	5	2	3	5	-	1	4
Bronchitis.	5	3	5	2	11	5	12	6	5	3
Pneumonia.	9	4	8	3	10	3	4	5	5	5
Other resp: diseases.	-	1	-	-	3	-	2	-	3	-
Ulcer of stomach or duodenum	1	1	-	-	1	-	1	-	2	-
Diarrhoea under 2 years.	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	2	-
Appendicitis.	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-
Other digestive diseases.	3	-	3	1	1	3	1	3	1	2
Nephritis.	1	3	1	3	5	4	7	3	2	2

	<u>1938.</u>		<u>1939.</u>		<u>1940.</u>		<u>1941.</u>		<u>1942.</u>	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Puer: & post-abortion: sepsis.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other maternal causes.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Premature birth.					7	4	2	2	2	3
Con: mal: birth inj: of	2	5	9	6						
infant diseases.					5	5	2	3	3	4
Suicide.	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Road traffic acc:					1	-	2	1	2	1
Other violent causes.	8	3	10	1	5	2	10	4	13	3
All other causes.	14	14	10	10	12	16	15	15	9	14
Totals.	105	90	111	92	129	96	141	96	106	95

Diseases of the vascular and respiratory organs account for one half of the total deaths, the first-named claiming one-third of the total deaths, the second one-sixth.

For the years commencing 1940 deaths from Cancer are divided into four groups, (1) the mouth, gullet and uterus; (2) stomach and duodenum; (3) breast; (4) all other sites.

Similarly violent causes are divided for the same period into two groups, (1) Road traffic accidents; (2) other violent causes.

Birth-rates, Death-rates (Civilian), Analysis
of Mortality, Maternal Death-rate and case
rates for certain Infectious Diseases.

	<u>1938.</u>		<u>1939.</u>		<u>1940.</u>		<u>1941.</u>		<u>1942.</u>	
	E & W.	N.	E & W.	N.	E & W.	N.	E & W.	N.	E & W.	N.
	Per 1,000 of population.									
Births-Live	15.1	15.38	15	15.25	14.6	17.67	11.2	15.24	15.8	19.2
" Still	0.60	0.36	0.59	0.62	0.55	0.37	0.51	1.03	0.54	0.38
<u>Deaths.</u>										
All causes	11.6	10.2	12.1	10.6	14.3	12.1	12.9	12.8	11.6	11.06
Typhoid & Para: typ:	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.05
Scarlet Fever.	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Whooping Cough.	0.03	0.00	0.03	0.05	0.02	0.00	0.06	0.16	0.02	0.00
Diphtheria.	0.07	0.15	0.06	0.10	0.06	0.05	0.07	0.10	0.05	0.05
Influenza.	0.11	0.00	0.21	0.15	0.32	0.05	0.19	0.00	0.09	0.00
Smallpox.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Measles.	0.04	0.10	0.01	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.01	0.00
Cerebro- spinal fever.		0.00		0.00		0.00		0.05		0.10
<u>Notifications.</u>										
Typhoid & Para: typ:	0.03	0.00	0.04	0.00	0.07	0.05	0.12	0.05	0.02	0.22
Cerebro- spinal fever.	-	0.00	-	0.00	0.32	0.00	0.25	0.32	0.14	0.55
Scarlet fever.	2.41	4.3	1.89	1.67	1.63	1.02	1.47	0.59	2.19	3.91
Whooping Cough.	-	-	-	-	1.34	0.21	4.39	8.41	1.73	0.93
Diphtheria	1.58	1.72	1.14	3.14	1.16	2.05	1.25	2.87	1.05	1.92
Erysipelas.	0.40	0.31	0.34	0.36	0.33	0.54	0.30	0.43	0.30	0.22
Smallpox.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Measles.	-	-	-	-	10.24	9.72	10.33	15.78	7.46	31.09
Pneumonia.	1.10	1.51	1.02	2.83	1.20	1.99	1.29	2.49	1.07	3.41
<u>Per 1,000 Live Births.</u>										
Deaths under 1 year.	53	51	50	66	55	88	59	63	49	51
Deaths under 2 years from Diarrhoea & Enteritis.	5.5	0.00	4.6	3.3	4.6	0.00	5.1	3.4	5.2	5.7

	<u>1938.</u>		<u>1939.</u>		<u>1940.</u>		<u>1941.</u>		<u>1942.</u>	
	<u>E & W.</u>	N.	<u>E & W.</u>	N.	<u>E & W.</u>	N.	<u>E & W.</u>	N.	<u>E & W.</u>	N.
	<u>per 1,000 Births (Live & Still).</u>									
<u>Maternal</u> <u>Mortality.</u>	2.97	0.00	2.82	0.00	2.16	0.00	2.23	3.30	2.01	0.00
<u>Puerperal</u> <u>Infection.</u>	0.86	0.00	0.74	0.00	0.52	0.00	0.48	0.00	0.42	0.00
<u>Others.</u>	2.11	0.00	2.08	0.00	1.64	0.00	1.75	3.33	1.59	0.00

Notifications.

<u>Puerperal</u> <u>Fever & Pyrex.</u>	14.42	13.28	14.35	9.70	11.96	0.00	11.91	6.66	12.61	8.42
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The Death-rates as calculated for Normanton are crude death-rates. The area comparability factors have not been used for the years 1938, 1939 and 1940, which were respectively 1.17, 1.17 and 1.11. No area comparability factors were given for 1941 and 1942.

Ages at Death.

Age Group.	Year 1938.		1939.		1940.		1941.		1942.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0 - 1	7	8	12	8	18	11	10	8	11	7
1 - 5	6	4	1	2	3	-	4	4	3	1
5 - 10	1	-	2	-	3	-	-	-	1	2
10-15	-	2	-	2	1	-	2	-	-	2
15 - 20	3	2	-	-	1	4	6	1	1	3
20 - 25	1	1	3	3	4	2	2	2	3	-
25 - 30	2	2	4	3	-	1	2	3	-	3
30 - 40	7	4	7	2	5	2	9	4	9	4
40 - 50	6	6	4	5	12	13	6	3	13	6
50 - 60	5	12	12	15	11	9	17	6	12	11
60 - 70	28	19	33	18	33	16	29	24	23	19
70 - 80	51	20	26	25	27	25	40	28	27	20
80 - 90	7	8	7	7	11	11	10	12	3	14
Over 90	1	2	-	2	-	2	4	1	-	3
	105	90	111	92	129	96	141	96	106	95
Totals	195		203		225		237		201	

From the foregoing it will be noticed that more than half of the deaths occur above the age of 60, and that half of the deaths are between the ages of 60 and 80. The average expectation of life at birth in Normanton is above 60 years.

Notifiable Diseases (other than Tuberculosis).

Years	1938.	1939.	1940.	1941.	1942.
Smallpox.	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever.	82	33	19	11	62
Enteric Fever.	-	-	1	1	4
Whooping Cough.	10	10	4	157	24
Diphtheria.	32	60	38	56	35
Erysipelas.	6	7	10	8	4
Measles.	1	1	181	288	552
Pneumonia.	55	54	57	49	60
Puerperal Pyrexia.	4	3	-	2	3
Cerebro-spinal Fever.	-	-	-	6	10
Polio encephalitis.	-	-	1	-	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum.	2	2	3	4	3

Treated in Hospital.

Scarlet Fever	80	31	17	11	59
Enteric Fever.	-	-	1	1	4
Diphtheria	32	58	37	56	35
Cerebro-spinal Fever.	-	-	-	5	10

From the above it will be seen that measles was prevalent in 1940, 1941, 1942, especially 1942. This extensive outbreak can be accounted for as there had not been an outbreak for some years.

Whooping Cough was prevalent in 1941, while Scarlet Fever showed increased incidence in 1938 and 1942; diphtheria in 1939 and 1941.

Tuberculosis Notifications.

Pulmonary.

Age Groups.	<u>1938</u>		<u>1939</u>		<u>1940</u>		<u>1941</u>		<u>1942</u>	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0 - 1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
1 - 5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 - 10	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
10 - 15	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	2	-
15 - 20	-	-	-	-	-	4	3	-	-	4
20 - 25	1	3	2	3	1	5	-	1	2	-
25 - 35	2	1	2	1	2	2	2	2	4	4
35 - 45	1	1	1	1	-	3	3	-	3	2
45 - 55	-	-	-	-	5	1	3	-	1	1
55 - 65	1	-	2	-	3	2	1	1	-	-
Over 65	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	-
Totals.	5	6	7	6	15	17	13	4	13	12

Non-Pulmonary.

0 - 1	-	1	-	1	-	-	1	1	-	-
1 - 5	1	2	1	2	-	-	1	1	2	2
5 - 10	-	1	-	1	2	1	2	-	2	-
10 - 15	1	-	1	-	1	2	-	1	3	-
15 - 20	1	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	2	-
20 - 25	1	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	-	-
25 - 35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	1
35 - 45	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	1	1	-
45 - 55	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
55 - 65	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
Over 65	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals.	8	6	8	6	5	6	6	6	11	4

Cases on Register (End of Quarters).

<u>Years.</u>	<u>Quarter.</u>	<u>Pulmonary.</u>		<u>Non-Pulmonary.</u>		<u>Totals.</u>
		<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	
1938	1st	41	24	20	22	107
	2nd	40	23	24	24	111
	3rd	39	21	26	25	111
	4th	37	21	25	23	106
1939	1st	41	24	20	22	107
	2nd	41	24	20	22	107
	3rd	40	23	24	24	111
	4th	39	21	26	25	111
1940	1st	37	21	25	23	106
	2nd	37	24	25	23	109
	3rd	37	26	27	25	115
	4th	44	29	29	26	128
1941	1st	41	33	26	24	124
	2nd	44	35	26	25	130
	3rd	46	36	27	26	135
	4th	45	33	25	29	132
1942	1st	43	31	24	27	125
	2nd	48	29	28	27	132
	3rd	48	29	29	26	132
	4th	51	31	29	27	138

Tuberculosis Deaths.

Pulmonary.

<u>Age Groups.</u>	<u>1938</u>		<u>1939</u>		<u>1940</u>		<u>1941</u>		<u>1942.</u>	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0 - 1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 - 5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 - 10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10 - 15	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 - 20	1	2	-	1	-	1	1	1	-	-
20 -25	-	1	1	1	-	1	-	3	2	-
25 - 35	1	3	2	1	-	1	1	-	2	2
35 - 45	3	-	3	-	1	-	2	-	-	3
45 - 55	-	-	4	1	1	-	-	-	3	1
55 - 65	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	-
Over 65	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	-
Totals	5	6	11	5	4	4	5	4	9	6

Non-Pulmonary.

0 - 1	-	-	-	2	-	1	3	1	-	-
1 - 5	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	-	-	-
5 - 10	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
10 - 15	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
15 - 20	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
20 - 25	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
25 - 35	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
35 - 45	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45 - 55	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
55 - 65	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Over 65	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	1	1	-	3	4	1	8	1	-	1

NORMANTON URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

The following pages relate to the sanitary statistics and conditions in the Normanton Urban District (enlarged area) for the five year period 1938 to 1942. Since the amalgamation of the Urban Districts of Normanton and Altofts, Mr. Walter Baxter, the Sanitary Inspector, has been severely handicapped for assistance in his work, and this has been especially so since the outbreak of War. Mr. Baxter, for quite half the period covered by this report, has carried out his multifarious and onerous duties without technical assistance, and it will be appreciated that Civil Defence requirements have made considerable inroads into his leisure hours. At all times he has cheerfully, conscientiously and most efficiently discharged his duties.

I feel, as Medical Officer, I should pay high tribute to Mr. Baxter's ungrudging service.

Nuisance Inspections.

	<u>1938.</u>	<u>1939.</u>	<u>1940.</u>	<u>1941.</u>	<u>1942.</u>
Nuisances found.	483	310	626	599	562
Nuisances in hand end of previous year.	30	18	31	128	26
Total needing abatement.	513	328	657	727	588
Abated.	495	297	529	701	548
Outstanding end of year.	18	31	128	26	40
Notices served, Informal.	461	302	560	567	546
Complied with.	443	271	496	541	508
Notices served, Statutory.	22	8	2	32	16
Complied with.	22	8	2	32	14
Total number of summonses or other legal proceedings.	None.	None.	None.	None.	None.
<u>Recorded visits.</u>					
Slaughter-houses.	145	176	84	115	122
Drain inspections.	13	18	21	17	25
Visits in connection with new drains and testing.	95	110	16	11	18
Choked drains.	18	24	35	15	27
Housing.	195	205	107	86	51
House (Removals).	5	9	7	6	8
Water in cellars.	4	22	15	25	16
Dirty houses.	8	6	5	9	4
Farms.	39	42	31	46	29
Factories.	15	9	24	21	13
Rat infestations.	11	15	18	9	17
Tip.	70	49	68	81	58
Overcrowding.	57	42	26	13	7
<u>Complaints recorded and investigated - Nuisances, housing defects, etc.</u>	209	197	230	315	216
<u>Notices and letters sent.</u>	345	324	387	358	318

Drainage and Sewerage.

During the five years in review there was no addition to sewers, with the exception of extensions to new houses, which were as follows:-

	<u>1938.</u>	<u>1939.</u>	<u>1940.</u>	<u>1941.</u>	<u>1942.</u>
Urban District Council.	<u>1448</u>	122	-	-	-
Private enterprise.	39	30	5	1	-

Thirty-four houses in the area are not connected to sewers. These buildings are in low lying parts of the area, and cannot be conveniently connected to the existing sewerage system. Most of these premises drain into cesspools or septic tanks.

Sewage disposal works had no extensions during the period, and there was no complaint from the West Riding Rivers Board.

Sanitary Services.

	<u>1938.</u>	<u>1939.</u>	<u>1940.</u>	<u>1941.</u>	<u>1942.</u>
Water closets.	<u>4942</u>	<u>5093</u>	<u>5098</u>	<u>5099</u>	<u>5099</u>
Waste water closets.	43	40	39	34	34
Pail closets.	20	19	19	19	19
Privies	36	18	18	18	18
Wet ashpits in connection with privies.	22	13	13	13	13
Dry ashpits.	39	38	35	34	33
Ashbins.	4809	5075	5078	5078	5078

Conversion of the remaining privies to water closets (18) in Cemetery Lane, was completed in 1939. There being no sewer available to which these W.C.'s could gravitate, an electric pump was installed and a chamber built into which the W.C.'s were drained; the pump (automatic) lifting the contents to a sewer manhole higher up the street.

Scavenging.

Public scavenging is in operation throughout the district, and tipping (two tips) is on the controlled system, shop refuse alone being destroyed in the incinerator. The number of loads and cost is as follows:-

	<u>1938.</u>	<u>1939.</u>	<u>1940.</u>	<u>1941.</u>	<u>1942.</u>
Loads.	<u>4380</u>	<u>4203</u>	<u>4270</u>	<u>4070</u>	<u>4728</u>
Cost.	£3313	£3315	£3741	£4036	£4240

In January 1938 approximately four million gallons of water were pumped from the tip at Woodhouse. This had become necessary on account of the objectionable smell from the water (sulphuretted hydrogen) made stagnant from previous tipping. On this account tipping had to be abandoned. Electricity being close at hand, and the proximity of a sewer in Ellins Terrace, made this possible. No discomfort was experienced by the nearby residents, and no effect was noticed at the Sewage Disposal Works. Pumping occupied about three weeks. It was found necessary to make a sump through which incoming water could be kept under control by intermittent pumping, and this operated until the tip by successive layers of refuse had reached well above the original water level.

This tip, continually used, should last another two years. It was first used in 1936.

An infestation of crickets occurred at this tip in the summer of 1942, to overcome which a special tip dressing was applied. A powder issued to a number of householders affected soon overcame the nuisance.

Water Supply.

Water is taken in bulk from the Wakefield Corporation and distributed by the Urban District Council. With the exception of two houses in the Altofts Ward all houses are on public supply, which has been satisfactory, and of good quality and quantity.

Milk Supply.

Two Registers are kept as required by the Milk and Dairies (Amendment) Act, 1922, (a) For Retailers (b) For Cowkeepers and Wholesale Traders. No retailers have been removed from the Register.

Under the Milk Orders of 1936 and 1938 two Licences are in force in the area for production of "Accredited" milk. No Licences are held for the production of "Tuberculin tested" milk or for Pasteurisation plants.

	<u>1938.</u>	<u>1939.</u>	<u>1940.</u>	<u>1941.</u>	<u>1942.</u>
Milk samples taken:-	10	5	0	12	10
Deficiency of fat (minimum 3%)	3	0	0	0	1

There were no prosecutions and no sample was found adulterated.

No instance of disease attributed to milk occurred during the five years.

Slaughterhouses.

Eleven private slaughterhouses ceased to be used in December, 1939.

From January to May all meat for consumption in Normanton (both killed and imported) was sent from the Government controlled slaughterhouse at Wakefield.

Following complaints about the way this meat was handled, a strong protest was made to the Department concerned and, with the assistance of the local Member, a Government slaughterhouse was opened at the rear of King Edward Street in May. This has proved a success and a great improvement on pre-War days, everything being centralised, whilst cleanliness and supervision is all that could be desired.

Live animals slaughtered there have been of a good quality.

There is one offensive trade in the district, that of a tripo boiler. The premises are kept clean and call for no comment.

Meat Inspection.

Carcases Inspected and Condemned in

1938.

	<u>Cattle.</u>	<u>Calves.</u>	<u>Sheep & Lambs.</u>	<u>Pigs.</u>
Number killed.		Not known.		
Number inspected.	542	17	303	342
<u>All diseases, except Tuberculosis.</u>				
<u>Whole carcasses condemned.</u>	-	-	1	1
<u>Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned.</u>	10	-	-	-
<u>Percentage of the number inspected affected with diseases other than Tuberculosis.</u>	1.8	-	0.3	0.29
<u>Tuberculosis only.</u>				
<u>Whole carcasses condemned.</u>	4	-	-	-
<u>Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned.</u>	13	-	-	-
<u>Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis.</u>	3.1	-	-	-

1939.

Number killed		Not known.		
Number inspected.	505	17	202	323
<u>All diseases, except Tuberculosis.</u>				
<u>Whole carcasses condemned.</u>	-	-	-	-
<u>Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned.</u>	11	-	-	-
<u>Percentage of the number inspected affected with diseases other than Tuberculosis.</u>	2.17	-	-	-
<u>Tuberculosis only.</u>				
<u>Whole carcasses condemned.</u>	2	-	-	-
<u>Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned.</u>	10	-	-	3
<u>Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis.</u>	2.37	-	-	0.9.

1940.

	<u>Cattle.</u>	<u>Calves.</u>	<u>Sheep & Lambs.</u>	<u>Pigs.</u>
Number killed.	223	-	1325	109
Number inspected.	223	-	960	109
<u>All diseases, except Tuberculosis.</u>				
<u>Whole carcasses condemned.</u>	2	-	5	3
<u>Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned.</u>	54	-	62	3
Percentage of the number inspected affected with diseases other than Tuberculosis.	25.1	-	6.9	5.5
<u>Tuberculosis only.</u>				
<u>Whole carcasses condemned.</u>	2	-	-	2
<u>Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned.</u>	6	-	-	9
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis.	3.58	-	-	8.25

1941.

Number killed.	604	6	2474	354
Number inspected.	584	6	2150	341
<u>All diseases, except Tuberculosis.</u>				
<u>Whole carcasses condemned.</u>	-	-	4	-
<u>Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned.</u>	70	-	-	6
Percentage of the number inspected affected with diseases other than Tuberculosis.	11.98	-	0.18	1.7
<u>Tuberculosis only.</u>				
<u>Whole carcasses condemned.</u>	4	2	-	-
<u>Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned.</u>	9	-	-	12
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis.	2.2.	33.3	-	3.2

1942.

	<u>Cattle.</u>	<u>Calves.</u>	<u>Sheep & Lambs.</u>	<u>Pigs.</u>
Number killed.	645	6	1385	63
Number inspected.	631	6	1000	52
<u>All diseases, except Tuberculosis.</u>				
Whole carcasses condemned.	-	-	1	-
Carcasses of which some <u>part or organ was condemned.</u>	33	-	-	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with <u>diseases other than Tuberculosis.</u>	5.2	-	0.1	-
<u>Tuberculosis only.</u>				
Whole carcasses condemned.	6	-	-	-
Carcasses of which <u>some part or organ was condemned.</u>	17	-	-	2
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis.	3.6	-	-	3.8

Note -

All cattle are grouped under one head, no distinction being made between bullocks and cows.

Details of food condemned.

	<u>1938.</u>	<u>1939.</u>	<u>1940.</u>	<u>1941.</u>	<u>1942.</u>
Whole carcase & organs of bullock	1	-	1	-	-
Whole carcase & organs of heifer.	-	-	-	-	-
Whole carcase & organs of cow.	3	2	2	2	6
Whole carcase of calf & all organs	-	-	-	2	-
Whole carcase & organs of pig.	1	-	5	-	-
Whole carcase & organs of sheep.	1	-	1	3	1
Whole carcase & organs of lamb.	-	-	4	1	-
Fore Quarters of cows.	4	-	-	-	-
Hind Quarters of beef.	-	-	-	3	-
Other parts of beef.	55 lbs.	-	26½ lbs		166 lbs
Organs and brisket of cow.	-	1	-	-	-
Heads including tongues (Bovine)	3	1	-	2	-
Loin of pork.	-	-	-	-	111 lbs
Livers (Bovine)	20	12	55	73	35
Organs of bullock.	-	1	-	-	-
Mesenterics.	12	5	1	-	40 lbs

	<u>1938.</u> 2	<u>1939.</u> 1	<u>1940.</u> 2	<u>1941.</u> 3	<u>1942.</u> -
Hearts.	-	1	-	-	-
Kidneys.	-	1	-	-	-
Stomach	8	5	1	-	9
Lungs.	20	8	2	2	-
Imported Brazilian Lambs.	-	-	3	-	-
Pigs livers.	-	-	3	-	-
Pigs offals.	-	-	1	-	-
Sheeps livers.	-	-	62	-	-
Pigs plucks.	-	-	4	6	-
Pigs heads.	-	-	5	9	-
Cows udders.	-	-	-	8	6
Cows offals and fat.	-	-	-	4	-
Leg of Pork.	-	-	-	1	-
Barrel of Maws.	-	1	-	-	-
Rabbits.	-	-	-	50 lbs	-
Tin of tongue.	-	-	-	1	-
Tin of brisket.	-	2	-	1	-
Guts.	-	-	-	16 lbs.	-
Rolled Bacon.	-	-	-	123½ lbs.	13½ lbs.
Rancid Butter.	-	-	-	14 lbs.	-
Margarine.	-	-	-	5 lbs.	7¼ lbs.
Lard.	-	-	-	5 lbs.	-
Cheese.	-	-	-	19 lbs.	26½ lbs.
Eggs.	-	-	-	90	384
Tins of milk.	-	-	-	1	25
Frozen eggs.	-	-	-	1	30 lbs.
Tins of various meats.	-	-	-	-	34 113 lbs.
Tins of peas and beans.	-	-	-	-	31
Tins of fish.	-	-	-	-	3
Tins of fruit.	-	-	-	-	28

Other Foods.

The Food and Drugs (Adulteration) Act, 1928, is administered by the West Riding County Council.

	<u>1938.</u>	<u>1939.</u>	<u>1940.</u>	<u>1941.</u>	<u>1942.</u>
Bakchouses in district. (All above ground).	9	9	9	9	9
Inspections.	21	24	28	23	25

Schools.

Schools in area number seventeen. The general sanitary conditions are good with three exceptions. Queen Street School, Normanton, and Church and Colliery (Mixed) Schools, Altofts, where open trough closets still exist.

Smoke Abatement.

No observations were made in 1938 and early 1939. Since outbreak of War smoke abatement is in abeyance.

Shops Act, 1934, Sections 10 and 13(3).

	<u>1938.</u>	<u>1939.</u>	<u>1940.</u>	<u>1941.</u>	<u>1942.</u>
Visits paid under above.	85	83	45	40	47
Unsatisfactory conditions found.	None worthy of comment.				

Tents, Vans and Sheds.

A small number of caravans occupied by showmen and their families are allowed stances on the Fairground during summer months for short periods. The Council have not made Bye-laws under Section 268(4) of the Public Health Act, 1936.

Camp Sites.

No camp sites exist in the district, and the Local Authority has not acted under Section 269 of the Public Health Act, 1936.

Eradication of Bed Bugs.

	<u>1938.</u>	<u>1939.</u>	<u>1940.</u>	<u>1941.</u>	<u>1942.</u>
Number of rooms dealt with	15	24	10	49	31

Disinfestation is carried out by the use of a blow lamp, Zaldicide used as a spray, a Furness fumigating block placed on a tray and the room sealed; good results being obtained.

Rats and Mice (Destruction) Act, 1919.

The powers of enforcing the provisions of this Act are vested in the Council, being delegated to them some years ago by the West Riding County Council. There is no serious infestation in the district. Complaints were received from time to time from owners and occupiers of premises where rats and mice had been seen or were known to exist. Visits and re-visits were made, advice given and a considerable number of baits were put down.

Shops Act, 1934.

It was not found necessary to take any action during the years under review under Section 10 of the Act relating to ventilation, maintaining a reasonable temperature, suitable sanitary accommodation, sufficient means of lighting, washing facilities and facilities for the taking of meals. On account

of restricted accommodation certificates were granted a few years ago in respect of premises where W.C.'s were not actually on the premises but were reasonably available.

Swimming Baths.

There is a public swimming bath in Normanton which is greatly appreciated by the Public, especially the school children in the summer season. During 1938 a Chloramine Apparatus was installed for the purification of the water, and the Bath Manager has made an efficient use of this and kept the water in excellent condition. During the winter months the swimming pools are emptied and floored, when good accommodation is given for dances, etc..

Infectious and Other Diseases.

Prevalance can be noted from a previous table on page of the Vital Statistics section of the Report. Measles and Whooping Cough were added to the list of notifiable diseases after the outbreak of War.

Disinfection is carried out in all cases of infectious disease, and also in cases of Tuberculosis on death or removal.

Mortuaries.

Two mortuaries are situated in Normanton for accidents, post-mortems and cases other than infectious cases. These mortuaries are very small and not at all up-to-date. The Local Authority had considered the possibility of a central and more commodious mortuary, but this has been shelved for the period of the War.

Ambulance Services.

The Council purchased an Austin Ambulance in 1940, and is keeping the old 'Morris Commercial' in reserve. These are for general sick and accident cases. For general infectious disease cases, and for Smallpox, the Normanton and District Joint Isolation Hospital provide the ambulance facilities.

Housing.

	<u>1938.</u>	<u>1939.</u>	<u>1940.</u>	<u>1941.</u>	<u>1942.</u>
Number of houses in the district.	5015	5143	5149	5151	5151

Fourteen houses were demolished in the Altofts Ward and one in Woodhouse Ward during 1938, and three demolished in Normanton Ward during 1939.

Forty-eight new houses (Coronation Avenue) built by the Council were completed and tenanted during 1938, and thirty nine built by private enterprise.

One hundred and twenty-two houses, Henderson Avenue, Firville Crescent and Martin Street, built by the Council, were completed and tenanted during 1939. By private enterprise thirty houses were built in 1939, five in 1940 and one in 1941.

The number of overcrowded houses at the end of 1938 was 112 occupied by 128 families. The number based on the overcrowding standard, Housing Act, 1936, was almost nil at the end of 1939, but due to War conditions and lack of building overcrowding is again on the increase.

Twenty-four back-to-back houses at St. John's Terrace, Edward Square and Templar Street, were converted into through houses during 1939.

Notices under Section 11 of the Housing Act, 1936, were served on the owners of Nos.1-5, Thompson Square, 1-4, Woodhead Place and 2-13, The Orchard, as being unfit for human habitation and not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit.

The owners of Nos.1-4, Woodhead Place, and 2-5, Thompson Square, met the Council and gave an undertaking to carry out works, which were accepted by the Council. The owner of No.1, Thompson Square, agreed to demolish.

The owner of Nos.2-13, The Orchard, was not prepared to given an undertaking. The tenants of these houses were later accommodated in houses being erected by the Council with one exception.

Classified summary of Nuisances and Housing Defects - other than defects recorded under the Housing Act, 1936, Section 9 - remedied during the years 1938, 1939, 1940, 1941 and 1942.

	<u>1938.</u>	<u>1939.</u>	<u>1940.</u>	<u>1941.</u>	<u>1942.</u>
Roofs re-slatted.	4	-	-	-	-
Roofs repaired.	37	33	53	70	91
Chimney stacks re-built and repaired.	16	17	10	9	9
Eaves gutters repaired.	31	15	27	46	17
Rain water pipes repaired.	19	10	21	15	22
Broken ceiling and wall plaster repaired.	42	31	106	83	18
Floors repaired.	11	8	15	4	15
New floors laid.	7	4	10	6	4
Cooking ranges and ovens repaired.	18.	10	21	27	16
New glazed stoneware sinks provided.	9	12	8	6	15
New trapped sink waste pipes provided.	22	9	19	25	11
New set-pots fixed.	11	7	7	9	13
Firebacks re-built.	8	4	14	15	19
Defective windows repaired.	16	10	11	5	21
W.C.flush tanks repaired.	17	10	7	14	24
New W.C.basins provided.	12	9	12	5	19
New W.C.seats provided.	23	8	15	7	17
Defective water pipes repaired.	38	12	74	65	91
Defective cellar steps repaired.	7	-	-	-	-
Yard paving repaired.	9	4	4	2	-
Alteration to defective drains.	26	2	11	4	8
Cleansing of choked drains.	131	12	119	114	97
Flooded cellars.	11	-	14	5	9
New ashbins provided.	54	80	37	13	16
Well filled up.	1	-	-	-	-
Animals improperly kept.	3	5	11	-	-
New drain inspection covers.	-	-	-	-	10
Area grates repaired.	-	-	-	-	6



